

TREASURER URGES BUDGET SYSTEM IN CITY'S FINANCE

D. L. Conking Goes To Bat In Behalf of Present Board of Supervisors

CONTRADICTS STATEMENT MADE BY McCANDLESS

Explains Difficulties Under Which Municipal Officials Are Now Making Both Ends Meet

The supervisors of the City and County of Honolulu do not have all the city and county tax money to spend, common belief to the contrary. A statement made by D. L. McCandless, the other day to the effect that the present board of supervisors had had nearly a million dollars more to spend than any previous board, made the city treasurer, L. Conking, sit up, as all the money that is spent has to go through his hands and he is still wondering how an extra million or thereabouts got through without being counted. This set him to work to see just how much the present board had had than its predecessors in office, and he has unearthed some very interesting facts.

Since 1912 inclusive there has been collected in taxes from all sources in this county the vast sum of \$9,239,050.50. Of this, in the five years last passed the municipality has had \$3,768,298.85 or forty per cent, the territory taking \$5,470,751.65 or sixty per cent. Of the above collection to the county, the legislature has alienated by placing it in special funds, not including road funds the sum of \$399,472.36 or more than ten per cent. This money is for the schools and may be spent only as provided by act of the legislature and for cash basis purposes.

Conking Suggests Caution.

"Mr. McCandless says that the present supervisors have had some \$880,000 more to spend than any other board because the taxes have been raised that much, and so of course there was no one else to blame the spending on but the city dads," said the city treasurer yesterday, "but in common with all the people who talk for political purposes and make their argument as strong as possible, he should look in to the facts a little or possibly he may be tripped up."

The supervisors in 1912 had a gross amount of \$600,805.87, to spend. The present board has had in the past year the sum of \$699,748.75, less \$193,000 for cash basis and school funds, or about \$770,000 for all purposes. This is only \$120,000 more than was received by the city in 1912.

"When the previous Democratic board left office it left approximately \$65,000 in the cash basis fund, which on the last day of last year had increased to \$157,000."

"The great barrel from which the general upkeep of the municipality is provided is the general fund, and it realized net \$404,203.29 from last year's taxes, as against \$439,483.30, which the board in 1912 had to work with, or a difference of about \$45,000. Including 1912, the money received from the taxes in the general fund in the last five years has been: 1912, \$439,483.30; 1913, \$445,583.49; 1914, \$491,140.85; 1915, \$453,530.78; 1916, \$494,203.29. This makes a grand total of \$2,224,211.74, or an average of \$445,000 a year. The average for the five years has been \$733,659.77, while the territory has received an average of \$1,004,150.31 as a share."

"On account of the large amounts which the territory receives from the taxes, over and above the appropriations made for its needs by the legislature, there is always a tremendous balance in the territorial treasury at the end of a prosperous year, while the city with many added responsibilities and many of the functions formerly falling to the lot of the territory to perform and pay for, ends the year with a deficit."

"With the tax rate automatically reduced for the coming year, the present board and its successors will have a hard row to hoe to get through the year without cutting the work to a minimum, or giving up some of its luxuries like the band, the fire department, the police, the parks and possibly the official automobiles."

"The budget as passed by the board for the three months, is already over the minimum amount that may be reasonably expected during that period, taking into consideration the debt at the end of the year. Unless the assessed value of the real and personal property of this municipality goes over one hundred millions, the last three months of the present board will find the city treasury like the cupboard of old Mother Hubbard, if the appropriations made are actually expended."

"What I have stated is not in criticism of the supervisors, but is an endeavor to put before the thinking public—and Mr. McCandless the need of a readjustment of the taxes collected between the territory and the municipality in the coming legislature."

"Under the present arrangement the city never knows with certainty, what its income will be for the coming year. It should be so arranged that the city could be permitted to fix the needs for the year by budget, and then depend on the tax assessor to get the money for it. In a good year the taxes will be plentiful, and the city may have nearly all it needs. In a poor year the returns from the taxes may fall off greatly."

The functions to be performed by a growing city remain just the same if times are good or bad and to go ahead, Honolulu must have sufficient money. Honolulu has outgrown its swaddling clothes and needs long pants and a coat. These things all cost money and must be paid for."

JUDGE WHITNEY TO LEAVE THE BENCH

Cables His Resignation To Washington and Will Enter Private Practice

Another Honolulu jurist has been bitten by the resignation bug which has been ramping up and down the corridors and offices of the government buildings of late. William L. Whitney, second judge of the first circuit court, who for years has presided over the juvenile court, cabled his resignation to Attorney General Gregory last Monday. In accordance with what has become precedent in Honolulu, Judge Whitney's resignation was not announced until yesterday. It is to take effect when he has completed the hearing of the Kahana land case, some time this month.

Judge Whitney will be associated in the practice of law with W. O. Smith and L. J. Warren, taking the place of E. W. Sutton, who will leave the firm to succeed Willard E. Brown, as manager of the Bishop Trust Company.

For eleven years Judge Whitney has been on the bench, two years as police judge and nine years as circuit judge. The resignation of Judge Whitney makes four judicial vacancies to be filled, three on the circuit bench and one on the federal. Circuit Judge Cooke succeeds to the supreme court soon, his appointment having already been confirmed by the senate. Judge Clemons recently resigned from the Federal bench, and the term of Circuit Judge Diekey of Kauai expired some time ago, and no appointment has yet been made.

PRICES FLUCTUATE WITH WEAK MARKET

Yellow List Securities Active With Quotations Firm

Weakness developed in several stocks on the local exchange yesterday, while others gained, giving the market an erratic tone. Listed shares totalled 1975, of which 225 were at the session.

Ola declined a quarter to 16.00 after recovering from 15.87 1/2. Ewa, opening an eighth under last sale, recovered to 32.87 1/2 and dropped back an eighth again. Brewery lost a half at 18.50. Wailuku slumped two and a half points from last sale on exchange of 200 shares at 35.00. Hawaiian Sugar lost an eighth at 39.87 1/2. Pioneer Mill was without change at 40.00. San Carlos at 17.00 and McBryde at 12.50. H. C. & S. advanced a point to 50.50. Mutual Telephone advanced a half to 21.00. Hawaiian Pine opened at 59.00 and dropped back to 58.50, a net gain of a point.

Sales of sugar in New York dropped the quotation affecting the Hawaiian basis from 5.36 to 5.27, according to advices late yesterday afternoon.

Mineral Products' activity and Engle Copper holding strong on its recent rise were the features of another busy day in unlisted securities. On sales of 15,200 shares Mineral Products lost its gain of Wednesday, dropping from 1.20 to 1.05. Engle was firm at sales for 6.75, with bidders seeking more at this price and holders asking 7.00. Honolulu Oil sold for 3.95 at the session, but in the afternoon was reported as advancing to 4.10. Madera recovered five cents to 35-cent sales, and Mountain King sold for 30 cents, with Montana Bingham at 40 cents.

AUTOS IN SMASHUP

In a collision at Victoria and Iuna-hilo Streets, at ten o'clock yesterday morning, between automobiles driven by J. A. Andrade and T. Tashima, Tashima's automobile was damaged. Thomas Segonia was arrested last night on a charge of having driven an automobile recklessly December 14. Mark Kung was the complainant. Ronald Watt was arrested, charged with having driven an automobile without a chauffeur's license.

Good Health Makes a Happy Home



Good health makes housework easy. Bad health takes all happiness out of it. Hosts of good women and good mothers drag along in daily misery, back aching, worried, "blue," tired and worn, because they don't know what ails them or what to do for it.

These same troubles come with weak kidneys, and if the kidney action is distressingly disordered, there should be no doubt that the kidneys need help. Get a box of Doan's Backache Kidney Pills. They are safe and reliable. They have helped thousands of discouraged women.

"When Your Back is Lame—Remember the Name." Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—ask distinctly for Doan's Backache Kidney Pills and take no other. Doan's Backache Kidney Pills are sold by all druggists and storekeepers at 50c a box, (six boxes \$2.50) or will be mailed on receipt of price by the Hollister Drug Co., or Benson, Smith & Co., agents for the Hawaiian Islands.

BELGIUM DEMANDS FULL REPARATION

Sends Note Expressing Willingness For Peace On Same Terms As Her Allies

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upon as yet either with regard to the Entente note or that which was sent out by the Central Powers. The note from the Entente Powers will have to be carefully studied, it was pointed out, before any action can be taken by the administration.

It is regarded as probable that the government will make representations to the Berlin authorities, that in view of the fact that the Entente has outlined in a general way its terms, that Germany and her allies follow suit.

Berlin Note Surprising
The German note to the Neutral nations, published simultaneously with the reply of the Allies, has caused much surprise here. The Entente diplomats stationed here, expressed the belief that it was timed so as to act as an offset to the reply sent out from Paris to Mr. Wilson.

The Entente's note is regarded as one of the most delicately written documents sent out by either side since the outbreak of the war. Officials are much pleased with the friendly tone of the message, despite the indirect criticism of the President for the alleged confusion of the Allied and Germanic purposes.

ALLIES LEAVE DOOR FOR PEACE OPEN

LONDON, January 11.—The Entente Allies have not brusquely closed the door on peace, but the German proposal on behalf of the Teutons offered no hope for an end to the war, and were not submitted in good faith, declared the new British premier, David Lloyd George, before a vast crowd today in the historic Guildhall.

The premier's words, foreshadowing the contents of the note to the United States in response to the President's note to the belligerents, were greeted with loud cheering.

He declared that Emperor Wilhelm of Germany has told the people of the Central Powers that the Entente Allies have rejected the peace offer of the Teutons and are prepared to crush the Teutonic nations. This declaration by Wilhelm, commented George, was made so that Germany could "drag those she could no longer drag on."

"We have not rejected peace terms," he went on. "We are not offered peace terms. We are offered a trap-baited with fine words."

"It would completely suit Germany to secure a peace on her own terms. All of the Entente Allies want peace, but it must be a real peace."

He said the Entente Allies' attitude of opinion that a continuance of the war is preferable to Prussian dominion of Europe. He declared also that the Allies had made this clear in their reply to Germany, and added significantly that it is made clearer in the Allies' reply to the United States.

UNCLE SAM TO MOVE AGAINST FRANZ BOPP

Prosecutor Asks That Consular Credentials Be Cancelled

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
SAN FRANCISCO, January 11.—Further action is to be taken by the United States authorities against German Consul-General Franz Bopp, who, with several associates, was found guilty by the jury last night, after five hours' deliberations, of conspiring to blow up ships and trains carrying munitions to the Allies.

Revocation of Bopp's "exequatur," or official recognition as consul-general by the United States government, is asked by United States District Attorney Preston, who handled the prosecution.

Preston said today that this had been referred to President Wilson, based on evidence submitted at the trial.

Bopp and his convicted associates expect to appeal to the highest court. A new trial will be asked.

BOURBONS INSIST ON PROBING LEAK CHARGE

Vote For Congressional Investigation: Downing Republicans

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless.)
WASHINGTON, January 11.—Over the protests of Republican members, the Democrats of the house voted committee this afternoon voted adversely on the resolution of Congressman Wood calling for a congressional inquiry into the alleged "leak" of confidential diplomatic news to the stock market.

The committee had been ordered by the house to look into the charges and report on Wood's resolution.

NORTHERN PACIFIC WILL NOT BE PUT ON RUN TO ISLANDS

Fred. L. Waldron Confirms Report From Mainland To That Effect

COAST TRADE DEMANDS MAKE TRIP IMPOSSIBLE

Practically Certain However, Her Sister Ship Will Be On Permanent Schedule Hereafter

The liner Northern Pacific, of the Great Northern Pacific Steamship Company, will not be put on the Honolulu run this year, it was definitely learned yesterday. It has been practically decided by the company, however, to keep the other big Hill liner, the Great Northern, permanently in the freight and passenger business between the Coast and the Islands.

That plans were under way for the purchase of charter of two more steamers by the Hill interests, to be entered in the Portland-San Francisco run, so that the Northern Pacific would be released for the business between the Islands and the mainland, was also disclosed yesterday. It is only because the company is unable to secure these additional steamers that the Northern Pacific will not be put on the run to Honolulu.

Waldron Confirms Report

Fred. L. Waldron, local agent for the Great Northern Pacific Steamship Company, last night confirmed the reports of the company plans which were revealed at a meeting of the chamber of commerce retail trades committee.

"It is true that the Northern Pacific will not be a companion of the Great Northern this year," said Mr. Waldron, "as the company cannot spare the Northern Pacific from the San Francisco-Portland run. Bookings for the Northern Pacific have been made for the company to take her from that trade and use her for the trip to the Islands."

"It is practically settled, though, that the Great Northern will be permanently kept on her present schedule. Bookings have been made almost to capacity for the rest of the schedule now decided on, which runs up to May, and it is almost certain that this schedule will extend the rest of the year."

News From Pasadena

First news that the Northern Pacific would not be used on voyages to the Islands this year, especially during Carnival season, developed at the chamber of commerce retail trades committee meeting yesterday afternoon, where a letter from D. M. Linnard, hotel man of Pasadena, was read. Mr. Linnard told of unsuccessful efforts to charter the Northern Pacific for the purchase of 250 tickets, the passengers to use the ship as a hotel during Carnival week.

Emil A. Berndt, in explanation of Mr. Linnard's unsuccessful negotiations, stated that he had been informed by the company's officials that the business developed necessitated keeping the Northern Pacific in the Pacific Coast trade. He stated that the company had been unsuccessful in efforts to secure two more steamers, which were to be substituted for the Northern Pacific in the Pacific Coast trade, so that the larger vessel would be released for the run to Honolulu and Hilo.

Later Mr. Berndt quoted H. A. Jackson, general traffic manager of the company, as authority for his statements. He said that Mr. Jackson gave him to understand that the company had tried to secure two more steamers then nearing completion.

LOVE LED FIRST TO INCENDIARISM AND THEN TO SUICIDE

HILO, January 10.—"If you tell, kill me then kill yourself."

This was a message in a letter which caused Sheriff Pua to take quick action, for it was while he was investigating the burning of the Japanese school houses in Kona on December 17 last, that he came across this message in a letter from a pretty young Japanese school mistress to a Japanese named Gutamura.

Sheriff Pua returned from Kona today. He made a rush trip over here on January 2 to arrest Gutamura on suspicion that he was the incendiary setting for the faction, which wanted to destroy the new progressive school. Gutamura had received warning, however. The day before New Year's Day he told the Buddhist priest and others that he might be arrested. That night he made his will and left ten dollars to the pretty school teacher.

When the sheriff arrived at his house the next day to arrest Gutamura he found his body hanging to an alligator pear tree in the yard.

It is stated that Gutamura wanted Aya to marry him, but she had refused. It is supposed that he might have the school burned down and the teacher's cottage because he did not want Aya to move to the new school, where she had been given a position. The sheriff is still working on the strange case.

The condition of William P. Fennell, liquor license inspector is greatly improved, according to Queen's Hospital doctors.

WATER FRONT NEWS

MARINE INTELLIGENCE By Merchants' Exchange

San Francisco—Arrived, Jan. 9, 2:30 p. m. str. Manoa hence Jan. 2.

San Francisco—Arrived, Jan. 9, 1 p. m. str. Ventura hence Jan. 1.

Port Allen—Arrived, Jan. 9, (edgled) str. Forest Home from Newcastle.

San Francisco—Sailed, Jan. 8, str. Hyades for Honolulu.

Hilo—Arrived, Jan. 7, str. Enterprise from San Francisco.

San Francisco—Sailed, Jan. 8, str. Atlas for Honolulu.

San Francisco—Sailed, Jan. 9, 2:30 p. m. str. Ventura hence Jan. 1.

San Francisco—Sailed, Jan. 9, 8 p. m. str. Clyde for Honolulu.

San Francisco—Sailed, Jan. 9, noon, str. Whitehead for Honolulu.

San Francisco—Sailed, Jan. 10, str. Lily for Honolulu.

Port Gamble—Sailed, Jan. 11, str. Alice Cooke for Honolulu.

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PASSENGERS AT SEA WERE HAPPY FAMILY

"Johnnie" Ford Stages Mock Marriage On Great Northern

Purser "Johnnie" Ford, whose business it is to know who you are, how you are, where and whence you came from if you are a passenger on board the steamer Great Northern, picked out a few of the prominent mainland visitors from the passenger list yesterday with the remark "well boy, that's as far as I can go, every body on this boat is rich and in being rich they are the happiest and jolliest gathering of tourists that I have ever traveled with."

Deck sports and dancing with the best of music throughout the voyage, kept the passengers in good spirits. While they were at sea before reaching Hilo, the regulation mock marriage was pulled off.

Prominent among the passengers were L. J. Bricker, general immigration agent of the Great Northern Pacific Steamship Company with offices at St. Paul, Minnesota.

Dr. W. E. Miner of Kansas City, is a world known physician. He was associated with the late Dr. John B. Murphy of Chicago.

Justice J. V. Teetzel of Beverly Hills, Los Angeles, county, California. His daughter, Miss S. L. Teetzel accompanies him.

W. M. Green of Cincinnati, Ohio, is vice-president of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad. He is accompanied by Mrs. Green.

T. H. Foley of St. Paul, a partner of Foley Brothers, railroad builders, built the Northern Pacific, Great Northern and Canadian Pacific railway lines.

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HONOLULU STOCK EXCHANGE

Thursday, January 11, 1917.

STOCK.

Merchandise
Alexander & Baldwin 290
C. Brewer & Co. 160

Sugar
Ewa Plantation Co. 32 1/2
Hauka Sugar Co. 24 1/2
Haw. Agr. Co. 47 1/2
Haw. Com'l Sugar Co. 49 1/2
Honokaa Sugar Co. 13
Honolulu Sugar Co. 42 1/2
Hutchinson Sugar Co. 30 1/2
Kekaha Sugar Co. 21 1/2
Koloa Sugar Co. 21 1/2
McBryde Sugar Co. 12 1/2
Oahu Sugar Co. 31
Ola Sugar Co. 16 1/2
Onomua Sugar Co. 54 1/2
Paahau Sugar Co. 29
Pacific Sugar Mill 19 1/2
Paia Plant'n Co. 23 1/2
Peepee Sugar Co. 40
Pioneer Mill Co. 17
San Carlos Mill Co. 31
Waialua Agr. Co. 31 1/2
Wailuku Sugar Co. 37 1/2

Miscellaneous
Endau Devel. Co. 1st Ann. 60% pd. 2nd Ann. 55% pd. 20
Hauka F. & P. 20
Haw. Com. Ry. 7 1/2
Haw. Com. Ry. 8 1/2
Haw. Electric Co. 167 1/2
Haw. Pineapple Co. 57 1/2
Hon. Brew. & Malt. 19
Hon. Gas Co. 125
Hon. R. T. & L. Co. 143
I. S. Nav. Co. 195
Mutual Tel. Co. 101
O. R. & L. Co. 100
Pahang Rubber Co. 19
Selma-Dindings, pd. 17
Selma-Dindings (63% pd.) 10
Tanjong Olak Rub. 34 1/2

Bonds
Bench Walk Imp. 5 1/2
Hamakua Ditch 6 1/2
Haw. Com. Ry. 5 1/2
Haw. Irr. Co. 80
Haw. Ter. 4s ref. 1905
Haw. Ter. 4s pub. imp. 4s (ser. 1912-15) 101
Haw. Terr. 3 1/2 98 1/2
Honokaa Sugar Co. 95
Hon. Gas Co. 56
Hon. R. T. & L. Co. 104
Kauai Ry. 6 1/2
Manoa Imp. Dist. 5 1/2
McBryde Sugar 5 1/2
Mutual Tel. Co. 100
O. R. & L. Co. 105 1/2
Ola Sugar Co. 6 1/2
Ola Sugar 6 1/2
Pae. Sugar Mill 6 1/2
San Carlos Mill 6 1/2

Between Boards
Ola, 50, 50, 1600; Ola, 300, 290, 15, 15, 15, 15; Ola, 100, 100; Ewa, 30, 30, 30, 30; Ewa, 10, 32, 37 1/2; H. C